

Welcome to Faith Presbyterian Church!

Sunday, November 24, 2024



Worship Schedule

Sunday:

10:00 am: Worship-Sanctuary

Wednesday:

7:00 pm: Worship on Wednesday
(held virtually via Zoom)

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:00 am – Noon

Can't make it to today's worship? Visit the church website to watch today's service: www.crfaitth.org

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• Church Snapshot •

Thank you to everyone who helped with Operation Christmas Child. We packed 97 shoeboxes this year, which is a new record for Faith Presbyterian!

Worship is...

Joyful. Spirit-filled. Thoughtful. Welcoming.

Parking: Additional street parking is available, plus you can also park in the Dental Center parking lot to the south.

Restrooms: Located next to the church office as you come in from the parking lot on the west end of the building.

Large print hymnals (words only): Available on the back table.

Hearing assistance devices are available: Ask an usher.

Questions? Please feel free to ask an usher for assistance!



“Like” the church page on Facebook! Just search for “Faith Presbyterian Church.”

Connection Card

In your bulletin is a green connection card. We ask that you complete the card and drop it in the offering plate. If you have a specific person, group, or event for which you'd like us to join with you in prayer, place this prayer request on the back of the connection card. This can be for a concern in your life or your health, or for a concern you have for someone else, or for a joyous event.

Welcome to Faith Presbyterian! Connection Card

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Best Contact Phone: _____
Email: _____
 Check if changes in contact information
If 1st- or 2nd-time guest, how did you hear about the church?
 Church website Church member Event Facebook
 Other: _____
Are you a: 1st-time guest 2nd-time guest Member/regular attendee
(Over)

Order of Worship – November 24, 2024

Gather to Worship God -----

Prelude

“Now Thank We All Our God”

(Worship is our response to the goodness of God. We are blessed to be called together, by God, to offer our praise & bring our joys & concerns, leaving renewed in spirit & eager to go & live our faith.)

The Welcome & Announcements

*(*We invite you to please stand if you are able.)*

*The Call to Worship (Psalm 136:1-9)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. *His love endures forever.* Give thanks to the God of gods. *His love endures forever.* Give thanks to the Lord of lords. *His love endures forever;* to him who alone does great wonders, *His love endures forever;* who by his understanding made the heavens, *His love endures forever.*

All: Give thanks to the Lord, who spread out the earth upon the waters, *His love endures forever;* who made the great lights – *His love endures forever;* the Sun to govern the day, *His love endures forever;* the moon and stars to govern the night; *His love endures forever.*

*The Hymn of Praise #41

“O Worship the King”

*The Unison Prayer of Confession

All: Holy God, your word calls us to remember the many blessings we enjoy because of your faithfulness. Your love endures forever. You have kept your promise to send a Messiah. He has come to show us the way to know you and then he became the way, in giving his life as the payment for our sin. Forgive us for going after other promises and putting our faith in leaders who cannot deliver. Give us eyes to see and ears to hear the wonder of your love. Cleanse us from our selfish motives. By the power of your Holy Spirit, lead us in the path of faithful service. We offer our prayers in the name of Jesus and ask that you hear us as we continue to pray in silence...

*Words of Assurance (Ephesians 4:31-32)

Leader: Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **Amen.**

*The Prayer Response #519

“You Are My Strength When I Am Weak”

All: You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all. When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all. Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

*Passing the Peace

Listening to God's Word -----

The Prayer for Illumination

The Congregational Response

All: Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus.

The Scripture

John 18:33-37

The Message

“What is the Truth? Recognizing the King” – Rev. Dr. Dennis Morey

Responding to God's Word -----

Hymn of Response #269

“Lead on, O King Eternal”

Sharing Joys & Concerns in Prayer

If you have a special request you'd like to share with the prayer chain, please use the green connection card and place it in the offering plate.

Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Prayer Response #469

All: Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

The Minute for Mission

Christmas Joy Offering – Tracy Barton

The Call to Dedication (*1 Peter 4:10*)

Leader: Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

The Offertory

“O Carpenter, Why Leave the Bench” – Margaret Morey

*Congregational Response #606

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

All: Holy God, everything we have has come from your generosity. You have given us strength and intelligence that we may be good stewards of what you have provided. With boldness we bring tithes and offerings to you, confident that you know our heart and you can use our offerings for the good of your Kingdom. Thank you for your confidence in us that we can be a part of what you are doing in the world today. We give in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Going Out to Serve -----

*The Closing Hymn #37

“Let All Things Now Living”

*The Closing Prayer & Benediction

Postlude

“Thanksgiving and Praise”

Announcements for the Week of November 24

Lead Usher: Bev Slager
Lay Leader:

Today, November 24th, we'll have a Thanksgiving meal following worship. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to bring a side!

A Thanksgiving service will be held today, November 24th at 4:00 pm here at Faith. The congregations of Faith, Christ, Olivet, and Westminster Presbyterian Churches will join together for the combined service. Fellowship time after the service will include various kinds of pumpkin desserts and treats.

The church office will be closed Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29 for Thanksgiving. Happy Thanksgiving!

We need fellowship volunteers. Please see the sign-up sheet if you'd like to provide fellowship for a future Sunday.

Happy birthday to the following people celebrating their special day this week!

Mike Sindelar Nov 25

Weekly Calendar

Sunday:

9:00 AM: Bible Studies

10:00 AM: Worship-Sanctuary

11:00 AM: Thanksgiving Meal-Fellowship Hall

4:00 PM: Thanksgiving Worship-Sanctuary

Monday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

9:00 AM: Sewing Group-Fellowship Hall

5:30 PM: Session Meeting-Room #1

Tuesday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

9:30 AM: Coffee & Conversation-Fellowship Hall

Wednesday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

7:00 PM: Worship on Wednesday (Via Zoom)

Thursday: Thanksgiving – Church Office Closed

Friday: Church Office Closed

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

All-Church Christmas Gathering – Dec. 7

Bring your children and grandchildren, your friends, and of course yourself to our third annual All-Church Christmas Gathering. We will gather on Saturday, December 7, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Let's get in the Christmas spirit by frosting cookies, making crafts, watching a short Christmas movie, and singing carols while enjoying lemonade and popcorn. See you December 7th!

Matthew 25 Holiday Craft Fair – Dec. 7

Matthew 25's Cultivate Hope Holiday Craft Fair takes place Saturday, December 7th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Groundswell, located at 201 3rd Ave. SW in Cedar Rapids.

This year's Holiday Craft Fair will feature local craft vendors, carrot pickles and baked goods from the Youth Development Program, produce from Matthew 25's Urban Farm, a photo booth, crafts and activities, Cedar Rapids Community Orchestra Concert, and more.

Groundswell Cafe, located directly next to the event space, will have delicious food and beverage specials as well.

Confirmed vendors include:

Cultivate Hope

Jane Bell

Boho Fluid Art

Cabyn Fever

Karen Stirler

Stitch In Time

Edith Chase Labyrinth Art

Scrap Dragon Designs

Dixie Fried Jewelry Co

Lola Jane Jewelry

Crafty Couple

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